

A
Chaine of Pearle.
O R
A Memoriall of the peerles Graces,
and Heroick Vertues of Queene *Elizabeth*,
of Glorious Memory.

Composed by the Noble Lady,
Diana Primrose.

Dat ROSA mel apibus, quâ fugit
ARANEÂ virus.



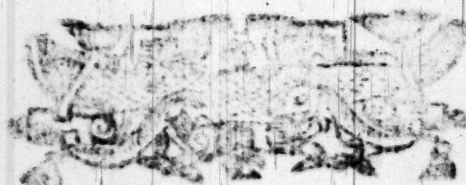
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Chimes of Praise

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A Memorial of the Great Graces

of the Noble Lady
Thomas Howard.

By ROSA and others
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TO
ALL NOBLE LADIES,
and GENTLE-WOMEN.

I O You the Honour of our Noble
Sex,
I send this CHAINE, with all my
best Respects:

Which if you please to weare, for her sweet sake,
For whom I did this slender POEM make.

You shall erect a Trophie to her Name,
And crowne your selues with neuer-fading
(Fame.

Devoted to your Vertues,

DIANA P.

To my

To my best friend, who
for me will do anything

To my

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To my



TO
THE EXCELLENT LADY,
the Composer of this Worke.



Hine forth (*Diana*) dart thy Golden
Raies,
On Her blest Life and Raigne, whose
Noble Praise
Deserues a Quill pluckt from an Angels wing,
And none to write it but a Crowned King.
Shee, Shee it was, that gaue vs Golden Daies,
And did the English Name to Heaven raise:
Blest be her Name! blest be her Memory!
That *England* crown'd with such Felicity.
And Thou, the *Prime-Rose* of the *Muses* nine,
(In whose sweete Verse *ELIZA'S* Fame doth
Like some resplendent Star in frosty night) (shine,
Hast made thy Natiue Splendor far more bright;
Since all thy *PEARLES* are peerles-orient,
And to thy selfe a precious Ornament.
This is my censure of thy *ROYALL CHAINE*
Which a far better Censure well may claime.

DOROTHY BERRY.
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THE INDVCTION.



*S Golden 'Phæbus with his radiant face
Enthron'd in his Triumphant Chaire of State,
The twinkling Stars and Asterismes doth chase
With his Imperiall Scepter, and doth hate
All Consorts in his Starry Monarchy,
As preiudiciall to his Sovereignty.
So Great ELIZA, Englands brightest Sun,
The Worlds Renowne and everlasting Lampe,
Admits not here the least Comparison;
Whose Glories, doe the Greatest Princes dampe.
That ever Scepter swai'd or Crowne did weare,
Within the Verge of either Hemisphere.
Thou English Goddesse, Empreſſe of our Sex,
O Thou whose Name still raignes in all our hearts,
To whom are due, our ever-vow'd Respects!
How shall I blazon thy most Royall parts?
Which in all Parts did so divinely shine,
As they deserue Apollo's Quill (not mine.)
Yet, since the GODS accept the humble Vowes*

THE INDVCTION.

Of Mortalls ; daigne (O Thou Star-crowned Queene)

I'accept these ill-composed Pearly-Rowes :

Wherein, thy Glory chiefly shall be seene :

• *For by these Lines so blacke and impolite,*

Thy Swan-like Lustre shall appeare more white :

**Thy Emperiall Majesties
eternall Votary,**

DIANA.

By Emerson's Machines
General Vornay

D. M. M.



I
A
CHaine OF PEARLE,
OR
A Memoriall of Q. *Elizabeth.*

The first Pearle.

RELIGION.

THE goodliest Pearle in faire *Eliza's* Chaine;
Is true Religion, which did chiefly gaine
A Royall Lustre to the rest, and ti'de
The Hearts of *A L L* to her when *Mary* di'de.
And though Shee found the Realme infected much
With Superstition, and Abuses, such
As (in all humane Iudgement) could not be
Reform'd without domesticke Mutiny,
And great Hostility from Spaine and France;
Yet *SHEE* vndaunted, brauely did advance
Christs Glorious Ensigne, maugre all the Feares
Or Dangers which appear'd: and for ten yeares

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SHEE

S H E E twaid the Scepter with a Ladies hand,
 Not vrging any Romist in the Land,
 By sharpe Edicts the Temple to frequent,
 Or to partake the holy Sacrament.
 But factious Romanists not thus content,
 Their Agents to their holy Father sent,
 Desiring him, by sollemne Bull, proclaime
E L I Z A B E T H an Heretike, and name
 Some other Soueraigne, which might erect
 Their masking Masse, and hence forthwith eject
 The Evangelicall Profession,
 Which flourish't vnder her Protection.
 The *Pope* to this Petition condescends,
 And soone his Leaden Bull to England sends,
 Which by one *F E L T O N*, on the Bishops Gate
 Of London was affixed; But the *S T A T E*
 For that high Treason punish't him with death,
 That would dethrone his Queene, *E L I Z A B E T H*.
 Yet was this Ball of Wild-fire working still,
 In many Romanists which had a will,
 The present State and Governement to change;
 That they in all Idolatrie might range.
 And hence it came that Great *Northumberland*,
 Associate with Earle of *Westmerland*,
 And many moe, their Banners did display
 In open Field; hoping to win the Day.
 Against these Rebels, Noble *S V S S E X* went;
 And soone their bloudy Purpose did prevent.
Westmerland fled, *Northumberland* did die,
 For that foule Crime, and deepe disloyalty;
 Having engaged Thousands in that Cause.
 After which time, the *Q U E E N E* made stricter Lawes,
 Against

Against Recusants ; and with Lyons heart,
Shee bang'd the *Pope*, and tooke the Gospells part.
 The *Pope* perceiving that his Bull was baited
 In such rude sort, and all his hopes defeated :
 Cries out to Spaine for helpe ; who takes occasion
 Thereby t' attempt the Conquest of this Nation.
 But such Sage Counsellors *ELIZA* had ;
 As, though both Spaine* and Rome were almost mad
 For griefe and anger, yet they still did faile,
 And against England never could prevaile.

* In vlti-
 marabi-
 em furo-
 remq ;
 conuersi.

The second Pearle.

CHASTITY.

THE next faire Pearle that comes in order here,
 Is *Chastity*, wherein *SHEE* had no peere.
 'Mongst all the Noble Princesses which then
 In Europe were the Royall *Anadem*.
 And though for Beauty *SHEE* an Angell was,
 And all our Sex did therein farre surpass ;
 Yet did her pure vnspotted *Chastitie*
 Her heavenly Beautie rarely beautifie.
 How many Kings and Princes did aspire,
 To win her Loue ? In whom that Vestall Fire
 Still flaming, never would *Shee* condescend
 To *Hymen's* Rihtes, though much *Shee* did commend,
 That braue French *MONSIEVR* who did hope to carry
 The Golden fleece, and faire *ELIZA* marry.
 Yea Spanish *PHILIP*, Husband to her Sister,
 Was her first Sutor, and the first that mist her :
 And though he promis'd that the *Pope* by Bull
 Should license it, *SHEE* held it but a Gull
 For how can *Pope* * with Gods owne Law dispence ?

* Yet his
 Cano-

Was it not time such *Popes* to cudgell hence?
 Thus Her impregnable Virginitie,
 Throughout the World Her Fame did dignify.

And this may be a Document to all,
 The Pearle of *Chastity* not to let fall:
 Into the filthy durt of foule Desires,
 Which Satan kindles with his Hell-bred fires:
 For whether it be termed Virginall

In Virgins, or in Wiues stil'd Conjugall,
 Or Viduall in Widdowes, God respects
 All equally, and all alike affects.

And here I may not silent overpasse
 That Noble Lady of the Court, which was
 Solicited by *TAXIS* that great *DON*,
 Embassador for Spaine (when *SHEE* was gone)
 Who to obtaine his will, gaue her a Chaine
 Of most rare Orient Pearle, hoping to gaine
 That Worthy Lady to his Lust; But *Shee*
 That well perceiu'd his Spanish Policy,
 His faire Chaine kept, but his foule Offer scorn'd,
 That sought (thereby) her Husband to haue horn'd:
TAXIS repulst, sent to Her for his Chaine,
 But (as a *Trophie*) *Shee* did it retaine;
 Which Noble President may all excite,
 To keepe this Pearle, which is so Orient bright.

The third Pearle.

PRVDENCE.

HOW prudent was her Government appeard
 By her wise Counsels, by the which *SHEE* steer'd,
 In the most dangerous Times that ever were,
 Since

nists say;
Benè dis-
pensat Do-
minus Pa-
pa contra
Apostolum
Extra de
Renunc.
Ca post
translatio-
nem.

Primo
Lacobi,

Related
 by the ho-
 norable
 K^t. and
 Baronet,
SIR
Richard
Houghton
of Hough-
ton Tow-
er.

A Memoriall of Queene Elizabeth.

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Since King or Queene did Crowne in England weare.
Her choice of Famous Councellers did show,
That *Shee* did all the Rules of Prudence know :
For though her Wit and Spirit were divine ;
Counsels (*Shee* knew) were best, where more combine :
That for Experience and deepe Policy
Are well approved ; whose Fidelity
Retaines them in the bonds of Loyall Loue,
And no great Pensions from their Prince can moue.
Thus rul'd *SHEE* prudently with all her power,
With *Argus* Eyes foreseeing every houre
All dangers imminent, least any harmes
Should vs befall by Spanish Arts or Armes.

This Gift in her was much more eminent,
In that it is so rarely incident
To our weake Sex : And as a precious stone,
Deepe set in Gold, shines fairer, then alone,
Or set in Lead, so did all Graces shine
In *Her* more gloriously, because Divine :
For Kings are Gods, and Queenes are Goddesses
On Earth, whose sacred Vertues best expresse
Their true Divinitie : wherein, if *WEE*
Them imitate, tis our Felicity.
This Pearle of Prudence then, *Wee* all should prize
Most highly, for it doth indeede comprise
All Morall Vertues, which are resident
In that blest soule, where this is president.

The fourth Pearle.

TEMPERANCE.

THE Golden Bridle of *Bellerophon*
Is Temperance, by which our Passion,
And Appetite we conquer and subdue
To Reasons Regiment : else may we rue
Our yeelding to Mens *Syren*-blandishments,
Which are attended with so foule Events.

This Pearle in *HER* was so conspicuous,
As that the * *King* Her Brother still did vse,
To stile *HER* His sweete Sister Temperance ;
By which Her much admir'd Selfe-governance,
Her Passions still *SHEE* checkt; and still *SHEE* made
The World astonisht, that so vndismaid
SHEE did with equall Tenor still proceede
In one faire course, not shaken as a reed :
But built vpon the Rocke of Temperance :
Not daz'd with feare, not maz'd with any Chance ;
Not with vaine Hope (as with an emptie Spooone)
Fed or allur'd to cast beyond the Moone :
Not with rash Anger to precipitate,
Not fond to loue, nor too too prone to hate :
Not charm'd with Parasites, or *Syrens* Songs,
Whose hearts are poison'd, though their sugred Tongues
Sweare, vow, and promise all Fidelity,
When they are bruing deepest Villany.
Not led to vaine or too profuse Expence,
Pretending thereby State Magnificence :
Not spending on these momentany pleasures
Her precious Time : but deeming her best Treasures

Her

A Memoriall of Queene Elizabeth.

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Her Subiects Loue, which *S H E E* so well preserv'd,
By sweete and milde Deameanor, as it seru'd
To guard *Her* surer, then an Armie Royall;
So true their Loues were to *Her*, and so Loyall:
O Golden Age! O blest and happie Yeares!
O Musicke sweeter then that of the Spheares!
When Prince and people mutually agree
In sacred Concord, and sweete Symphonie!

* *Omnibus
incutiens
blandum
per pectora
amorem.*

The fift Pearle

CLEMENCY.

HER Royall *Clemency* comes next in view,
The Vertue which in *H E R* did most renew
The Image of *Her* Maker, who in that
Exceeds himselfe, and doth commiserate
His very Rebels, lending them the light
Of Sunne and Moone, and all those Diamonds bright.
So did *E L I Z A* cast *Her* Golden Rayes
Of *Clemency*, on those which many wayes
Transgreffe *Her* Lawes, and sought to vndermine
The Church and State, and did with Spaine combine.
And though by Rigor of the Law *Shes* might
Not wronging them, haue taken all *Her* right
Yet *Her* Innate and princely *Clemencie*
Mov'd *H*erto pardon their Delinquencie,
Which sought *Her* Gracious Mercy, and repented
Their Misdemeanors, and their Crimes lamented.
So doth the the Kingly Lyon with his foe,
Which once prostrate, he scornes to worke his woe.
So did this Vertues sacred Auri-flame,
Immortalize our Great *E L I Z A' S* Name.

* *monstra,
eterrima
monstra.*

The sixt Pearle;

IVSTICE.

HER *Iustice* next appeares, which did support
 Her Crowne, and was her Kingdomes strongest
 For should not Lawes be executed well, (Fort.
 And Malefactor curb'd, a very Hell
 Of all Confusion and disorder would
 Among all States ensue. Here to unfold
 The exemplary Penalties of those,
 Which to the Realme were knowne, and mortall Foes:
 And as some putrid members pard away,
 Least their transcendent Villany should sway
 Others to like Disloyalty; would aske
 A larger Volume, and would be a Taske
 Vnsit for Feminine hands, which rather loue
 To write of pleasing subiects, then approue
 The most deserved slaughtering of any;
 Which justly cannot argue Tyranny.
 For though the *Pope* haue lately sent from Rome,
 Strange Bookes and pictures painting out the Doome
 Of his pretended Martyrs: as that they
 Were baited in Beares skins, and made a prey
 To wilde Beasts, and had Bootes with boiling Lead
 Drawne on their Legges, and Hornes nail'd to their
 Yet all our British world knowes these are fables, (head;
 Chimæra's, Phantasm's, Dreames, and very Bables
 For Fooles to play with: and right Goblin-Sprights,
 Wherewith our Nurses oft their Babes affrights.
 His Holinesse these Martyrdomes may adde
 To the *Golden Legend*; for they are as madde,

That

That first invented them, as * he that write
That brancelesse Booke: and yet some credit it.
For Cruelty and fond Credulity,
Are the maine Pillers of Romes Hierarchy.

* Vappa
Voragine-
sa.

The seventh Pearle.

FORTITUDE.

THIS goodly Pearle, is that rare Fortitude,
Wherewith this Sacred Princeesse was endu'd.
Witnesse Her braue vndaunted Looke, when *Parry*
Was fully bent *S H E E* should by him miscarry:
The Wretch confest, that *Her* Great Majestie
With strange amazement did him terrifie.
So Heavenly-Gracefull, and so full of Awe,
Was that Majesticke Queene, which when some saw,
They thought an Angell did appeare: *S H E E* shon
So bright, as *None else* could *Her Paragon*.
But that which doth beyond all Admiration
Illustrate Her, and in Her, this whole Nation;
Is that Heroicke March of Her's and Speech
At *Tilbury*, where *Shee* did All beseech
Brauely to fight for England, telling them
That what their Fortune was, should *Hers* be then.
And that with full Resolue *Shee* thither came,
Ready to win, or quite to loose the Game.
Which words deliver'd in most Princely sort,
Did animate the Army, and report
To all the World Her Magnanimity,
Whose haughrie Courage nought could terrify.
Well did *Shee* shew, Great *Henry* was Her Sire,
Whom Europe did for Valour most admire,

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'Mongst

'Mongst all the Warlike Princes which were then
Enthronized with Regall Diadem.

The Eight Pearle.

SCIENCE.

Among the Vertues Intellectuall,
The Van is lead by that we *Science* call;
A Pearle more precious then th' *Egyptian Queene*,
Quaft off to *Anthony*; of more Esteeme
Then *Indian Gold*, or most resplendent Gemmes,
Which ravish vs with their translucent Beames.
How many Arts and Sciences did decke
This *HEROINA*? Who still had at becke
The *Muses* and the *Graces*, when that *Shee*
Gave Audience in State and Maiestie:
Then did the Goddesse *Eloquence* inspire
Her Royall Brest: *Apollo* with his *Lyre*,
Ne're made such Musicke; On her Sacred Lips
Angells enthron'd, most Heavenly *Manna* lips.
Then might you see her *Nectar-flowing* Veine
Surround the Hearers; in which sugred Streame,
SHEE able was to drowne a World of men,
And drown'd, with Sweetnes to reuiue agen.
Alasco, the Embassador *Polonian*,
Who perorated like a meere *Slavonian*,
And in rude rambling *Rhetoricke* did roule,
SHEE did with *Atticke Eloquence* controule
Her Speeches to our *Academians*,
Well shew'd *Shee* knew among *Athenians*,
How to deliver such well-tuned Words,
As with such Places punctually accords.
But with what *Oratory*-ravishments,

Did

Did *Shée* imparadise Her *Parliaments* ?
Her last most Princely Speech doth verify,
How highly *Shée* did England dignify.
Her Loyall Commons how did *Shée* embrace,
And entertaine with a most Royall Grace ?

The ninth Pearle ;

PATIENCE.

NOW comewe Her rare *Patience* to display ;
Which, as with purest Gold, did paue her way
To Englands Crowne ; for when her Sister rul'd,
Shée was with many great Afflictions schoold :
Yet all the while Her *Mot*, was *Tanquam Ovis*,
Nor could her Enemies proue ought amisse
In Her, although they thirsted for her bloud,
Reputing it once shed, their Soveraigne good.
Sometime, in Prison this sweete *Saint* was pent,
Then hastily away *Shée* thence was sent
To Places more remote ; and all her Friends
Debar'd access ; and none but such attends,
As ready were with poison, or with knife,
To Sacrifice this Sacred Princess life,
At bloody *Bonnors* becke, or *Gardiners* nod ;
Had they not bin prevented by that GOD,
Who did *Susanna* from the *Elders* free,
And at the last, gaue her, her Liberty.
Thus by her patient bearing of the Crosse,
Shée reaped greatest Gaine from greatest Losse,
(For he that looseth his blest Liberty,
Hath found a very Hell of misery :)
By many Crosses thus *Shée* got the Crowne ;
To Englands Glory, and her great Renowne.

The

The tenth Pearle.

B O U N T Y.

AS Rose and Lillie challenge cheefest place,
 For milke-white Lustre, and for Purple Grace:
 So Englands Rose and Lillie, had no Peere,
 For Princely Bounty shining every-where.
 This made her Fame with Golden Wings to fly
 About the World, about the Starry Sky.
 Witnesse France, Portugall, Virginia,
 Germany, Scotland, Ireland, Belgia;
 Whose Provinces and Princes found her Aid
 On all Occasions; which fore dismaid
 Spaines King whose *European* Monarchy,
 Could never thrive during her Sovereignty;
 So did *Shee* beate him with her Distaffe, so
 By * Sea and Land *shee* him did overthrow;
 Yea, so that Tyrant on his knees *shee* brought,
 That of braue England Peace he * beg'd, and thought
 Himselfe most happie, that by begging so
 Preserv'd all Spaine from Beggery and Woe.
 Here all amaz'd my *Muse* sets vp her rest,
 Adoring *HER* was so Divinely blest.

* *Elisa-*
betha fuit
Terra Re-
gina Ma-
risque.
Primo
Jacobi.

At nos horrifico cinerum T E prope Busto,
Insatiabiliter desebimus, aeternumque.

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